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USING PEPTIDE LIBRARIES AS ANTIGENS

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This paper is filed subsequent to a telephone conversation with Supervisory Examiner Andrew Wang and Examiner P. Ponnaluri on June 9, 2003, and is in response to the February 25, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application. A Petition for a three (3) month extension of time is enclosed herewith. With the extension, these documents are due on or before August 25, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required Petition fee (small entity) of \$465.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), and any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-1774, Reference No. CST-138 CIP.

Change of Examiner. Applicants note that the Examiner in the present application has changed for the third time, from T. Friend back to present Examiner P. Ponnaluri. The present application has now been pending for well over three years. Given the long pendency of this application and the delays resulting from multiple changes of Examiners, Applicants respectfully request that the present Examiner promptly review this Response and advance the application to allowance in the near future.

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### AMENDMENTS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.111, 1.121

This Amendment and Response includes the following sections, presented on subsequent pages:

*Amendments to Specification:* pages 3 – 4 of this paper.

*Amendments to Claims:* are reflected in the listing of claims on pages 5 – 6 of this paper.

*Remarks:* pages 7 – 24 of this paper.

This Amendment complies with the requirements of the Revised Format of Amendments promulgated in the Revised Notice dated June 30, 2003 (effective July 30, 2003) [and at <http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/moreinfoamdtprac.htm>], and with 37 C.F.R. §1.121. Separate marked-up versions of the specification and claims as amended are not required.

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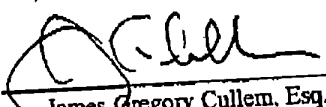
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I hereby certify that this correspondence, and any documents referred to as attached hereto, is/are being transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 1639, Facsimile No: (703) 872-9306 on this 8th day of August, 2003.

  
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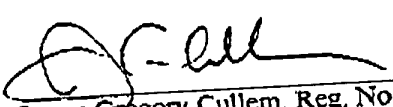
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Attached hereto for filing in the above-identified patent application is/are:

- ☒ Amendment and Response to Office Action (24 pages);
- ☒ Petition for 3-month Extension of Time (w/duplicate) (2 pgs.)

Respectfully submitted,

  
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